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In re Application of :
Lin, et al. :
Application No. 10/614,409 : **ON PETITION**
Filed: July 4, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No. 1087-PROT005012 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed August 19, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a response to the non-final Office action mailed November 30, 2006. This Office action set an extendable period for reply of three months. No extensions of time were obtained. Accordingly, no reply having been received, the application became abandoned on March 1, 2008. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 1, 2008.

With the instant petition, applicants/paid the petition fee, made the proper statement of unintentional delay, and submitted the required reply in the form of an Amendment.

It is not apparent whether the person signing the statement of unintentional delay was in a position to have firsthand or direct knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the delay at issue. Nevertheless, such statement is being treated as having been made as the result of a reasonable inquiry into the facts and circumstances of such delay. See 37 CFR 10.18(b) and Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure; Final Rule Notice, 62 Fed. Reg. 53131, 53178 (October 10, 1997), 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 63, 103 (October 21, 1997). In the event that such an inquiry has not been made, petitioner must make such an inquiry. If such inquiry results in the discovery that it is not correct that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

The matter is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 2621 for consideration of the Amendment filed August 19, 2008.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.



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